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House Resolution 793

By: Representatives Bryant of the 160th, Jackson of the 161st, Carter of the 159th, and Bordeaux of the 162nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Reverend LeRoy Pollen III for his distinguished community service; and for
- 2 other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, a native of Savannah, Reverend LeRoy Pollen III was born to loving parents
- 4 Mr. LeRoy and Dr. Delma Pollen and grew up in Chatham County, graduating from
- 5 Alfred E. Beach High School; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he continued his education at Savannah State, studying social work, then
- 7 attended and graduated from Bryan Theological Seminary, and completed advanced studies
- 8 at Covington Theological Seminary; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was a member of the First African Baptist Church, the oldest church in North
- 10 America, and, while there, became the first assistant to the pastor; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in 1995, Reverend Pollen was called to pastor Fairlawn Baptist Church, and
- 12 under his leadership, the church has grown and implemented many new ministries; and
- WHEREAS, he has served as president of the First District General Missionary Baptist
- 14 Convention of the Georgia Congress of Christian Education, national vice president of the
- 15 Interdenominational Teen Conference, and regional spiritual advisor for the Music Auxiliary
- of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., and was the first African American man
- 17 named chairman of the Board of Directors of the Gulfstream Management Association; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Reverend Pollen is proudly married to the lovely Leading Lady Mrs. Brenda B.
- 19 Pollen and is a wonderful and dedicated father to their two handsome sons, Nicholas
- 20 Alexander and Ryan Christopher Pollen.

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 $1\quad NOW, THEREFORE, BE\,IT\,RESOLVED\,BY\,THE\,HOUSE\,OF\,REPRESENTATIVES\,that$

- 2 the members of this body join in commending Reverend LeRoy Pollen III for his exemplary
- 3 spirit of service and his decade of leadership at Fairlawn Baptist Church.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend LeRoy Pollen III.